

ED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

ATTY DKT NO. P-109006.01 (UTI)

Freddie Levario

SERIAL NO. 10/027,308

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

FILED: 12/21/01

TITLE: A Method For And Coupler For Joining Two Steel Pipes

**TO:** Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

# REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL AS ATTORNEY (37 CFR 10.40(c))

#### REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO WITHDRAW

1. I, an attorney signing below, respectfully request permission to withdraw from all further responsibility in this case in accordance with 37 CFR 1.36.

## LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OF CLIENT

2. The last known mailing address of the inventors is:

Freddie Levario Ace Valve Manufacturing Inc. P.O. Box 1986 Odessa, Texas 79760 RECEIVED

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## BASIS FOR WITHDRAWAL REQUEST

3. The basis for the request for withdrawal is 37 CFR 10.40(c):

Section VI. The Petitioner's client has failed to pay one or more bills rendered by the Petitioner for an unreasonable period of time, has failed to honor an agreement to pay for the performance of legal services, and by other conduct renders it unreasonably difficult for the Petitioner to carry out the employment effectively.

Section VI. Since the beginning of the representation, applicants have repeatedly promised to pay for the services rendered. These promises to pay have not been met. Rather, they repeatedly ignored the bills sent. It has been over a year and the applicants still have not paid. In addition to letters and bills, Mr. Daniel D. Chapman (attorney of record) and Ms. Keri Wood (accounting

APPROVED 8-14-03

E. Rollins-Cross Director, Group 3700 8-14-03 8-14-03 W/0 9 department) have spoken with Mr. Levario personally about the bill, but to no avail. Mr. Levario promises payment, but payment is never forwarded.

#### ALLOWANCE OF TIME FOR CLIENT TO ACT

4. Status of this application: there is no outstanding term for response.

## **NOTIFICATION OF CLIENT**

5. In accordance with 37 CFR 10.40(a), a copy of this request, including any attachments, is being sent to the client. A copy of the letter to the client is attached hereto.

## NUMBER OF COPIES OF REQUEST

6. This request is enclosed in triplicate.

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#### SIGNATURE OF WITHDRAWING ATTORNEY

7. Signatures of the attorneys withdrawing (or signature of an authorized attorney on behalf of an attorneys withdrawing:

Daniel D. Chapman, Reg. #32,726; Thomas E. Sisson, Reg. #29,348; Mark H. Miller, Reg. #29,197; William B. Nash, Reg. #33,743; Cline H. White, Reg. #45,213

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited on the date shown below with the United States Postal Service in an envelope addressed to the "Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" as follows:

	37 CFR 1.8(a)		37 CFR 1.10
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